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AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

→ Page 1, rewrite the first paragraph as follows
Rewrite the paragraph bridging pages 4 and 5 as follows:

Page 3, rewrite the second full paragraph as follows
--The polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycol(s) as used herein is a generic name of nonionic surface active agents of a polymer type having less hydrophilic polypropylene glycols as a hydrophobic group and ethylene oxide as a hydrophilic group. It may be feasible to prepare surface active agents having various properties by changing a molecular weight of the polypropylene glycol and a mixing ratio thereof to the ethylene oxide. The synthesizable polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycols have a molecular weight of the polypropylene glycol in the range of 900-4,000 and a percent by weight of the ethylene oxide in the total molecular ² of 5%-90%. For instance, the polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene glycol block polymers (ADEKA®) manufactured by Asahi Denka Kogyo K.K. are systematically named according to a